



## PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of:

V. Kouznetsov et al.

Application No. 09/921,521

Filed: 08/02/2001

For: SYSTEM AND METHOD TO SECURELY  
CONFIRM PERFORMANCE OF TASK BY A  
PEER IN A PEER-TO-PEER NETWORK  
ENVIRONMENT

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) Examiner: Hossain, Tanim M.  
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Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith are the following items:

- 1) Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance
- 2) Part B- Issue Fee Transmittal in duplicate for billing purposes

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**COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE**

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Notice of Allowance mailed December 01, 2005, please enter the following:

REMARKS

In the Notice of Allowance, the Examiner states that "The amended claims feature the specific act of a peer broadcasting a task request over the network, where ...if the receipt packets do not arrive on time, the service server is placed on a blacklist." However, it is noted that none of the independent claims require placing the service server on a blacklist, if the receipt packets do not arrive on time, and should thus not be limited by such.

In the event a telephone conversation would expedite the prosecution of this application, the Examiner may reach the undersigned at (408) 505-5100. For payment of the fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, the Commissioner is authorized to charge such fees to Deposit Account No. 50-1351 (Order No. NAI1P277\_01.016.01).

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